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1. EMBASSY URGENTLY REQUESTS REPLY REFTEL.
 2. ACTING CAA ADMINISTRATOR HAILU GEBRE-MARIAM SUMMONED EMBOFF AND DATT TO DISCUSS STATE OF PLAY THIS ISSUE. HE INDICATED CAA UNDER INCREASING POLITICAL PRESSURE TO COLLECT ARREARAGES. EMBOFF NOTED USG WILLINGNESS TO SETTLE OUR LEGITIMATE DEBTS; HOWEVER, WE ALSO UNDER SIMILAR PRESSURE TO COLLECT MAAG SUPPORT ARREARAGES. EMBOFF FURTHER NOTED ONLY EQUITABLE SOLUTION SIMULTANEOUS SETTLEMENT OF BOTH PROBLEMS. ACTING CAA ADMINISTRATOR REQUESTED STATEMENT ON PREVIOUSLY AGREED CAA/EMBASSY POSITION ON LANDING/PARKING/NAVIGATION FEES ISSUE.
 3. WHILE CAA STILL WITHOUT PERMANENT ADMINISTRATOR, EMBASSY FEELS IN VIEW OF ABOVE NOTED INTEREST NOW IS GOOD TIME TO SEEK INFORMAL CAA APPROVAL OF PREVIOUSLY AGREED FORMULA ON CALCULATING CAA PAST AND CURRENT CHARGES PRIOR TO SUBMISSION OF NOTE. EMBASSY THEREFORE PROPOSES SUBMITTING TO CAA AIDE-MEMOIRE OUTLINING PREVIOUSLY AGREED POSITION. ONCE WE HAVE CAA AGREEMENT, EMBASSY WISHES TO SUBMIT NOTE TO FOREIGN OFFICE
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IMMEDIATELY IN ORDER TO FOCUS IEG ATTENTION ON BASIC RELATION-

SHIP BETWEEN LANDING/PARKING/NAVIGATION FEES AND MAAG SUPPORT
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